

VSP Public Comment

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Should California reject the proposed Diebold system? Vote=Yes

I urge you to reject the Diebold electronic voting system. While America spends billions trying to make the rest of the world "safe for democracy," we are at risk of losing our most precious and fundamental democratic right---the right to vote and have our vote counted.

Given recent questions re: voting results, it is imperative that California's system of logging and tallying votes for public office MUST provide for a reasonably accessible paper trail that can not be easily tampered with. This means a separate sheet of paper for each voting record, a permanent ink record that can be examined, traced and retallied; a format that makes recounts possible, reasonable and verifiable, and ballots and receipts that are easily visualized by America's rapidly aging electorate.

Please do all you can to promote these basic provisions to ensure that Californians have access to an accurate and fair system of voting!

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Citizen Proposed Standards:

The AVVPAT shall be printed on single sheet non-thermal at least 16 pound paper, one record of vote per sheet.

Every recorded vote, no matter how recorded, shall have a AVVPAT copy.

The AVVPAT record of the vote shall be printed in a minimum of 12 point font.

The AVVPAT shall be printed and organized to be easily read by both the voter and election officials.

The AVVPAT during the 1% manual audit and any recount shall be physically verified and hand counted only.

The recorded vote choices on the AVVPAT shall not be audited or recounted by automatic or electronic methods.

There shall not be a method by which any particular voting record can be connected to any particular voter.

Any AVVPAT spoiled or rejected by a voter because of a voting system error shall not be counted as a spoiled ballot under the two spoiled ballots limit.

No remote access to voting machines by wireless or internet.